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SUBJECT: ROK ATTENDANCE AT WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES MEETING

1. SENIOR UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AND WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES REPRESENTATIVES HAVE APPROACHED THE DEPARTMENT TO CONFIRM REPORT THEY HAVE RECEIVED THAT ROKG HAS DENIED PERMISSION FOR THREE KOREAN CHURCHMEN TO ATTEND WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES ASSEMBLY OPENING IN NAIROBI NOVEMBER 23. THE THREE ARE KIM KWAN SUK, SECRETARY GENERAL OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES KOREA; AHN BYUNG-MU, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH DELEGATE; AND MOON DONG-WHAN, ADVISER TO THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

2. THEY INDICATED THAT US NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES AND UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SERIOUSLY CONCERNED ABOUT ALLEGED ROK ACTION AND SAID THEY ARE SEEKING WAYS TO REVERSE ANY SUCH DECISION.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO EMBASSY. IF REPORT TRUE, EMBASSY SHOULD INFORMALLY POINT OUT DAMAGE REFUSAL OF VISAS WOULD DO ROKG IN SUCH A MAJOR  
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